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SUBJ: NEGOTIATING GROUP MEETING ON ARTICLES 4, 6 BIS,
13 AND 15

1. NEGOTIATING GROUP HAD MEETING ON PARAGRAPHS 4, 6 BIS,
13 AND 15 BEFORE MAKING CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO WG PLENARY
ON MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 24. GROUP WILL HAVE ANOTHER GO
AT THESE TEXTS MONDAY MORNING.

2. PARAGRAPH 4 -- AFRICANS AGREED TO DROP SENTENCE ON
QUOTE DUTY TO ENDEAVOR TO ELIMINATE OBSTACLES TO DEVELOP-
MENT INCLUDING FOREIGN OCCUPATION, APARTHEID RACIAL DIS-
CRIMINATION, COLONIALISM, NEOCOLONIALISM AND ALIEN
DOMINATION AND EXPLOITATION UNQUOTE PROVIDED QUOTE TO
ENDEAVOR UNQUOTE WAS ELIMINATED FROM THE SENTENCE QUOTE
ALL STATES HAVE THE DUTY, INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY,
TO ENDEAVOR TO ELIMINATE OBSTACLES THAT HINDER SUCH
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MOBILIZATION AND USE UNQUOTE.

USDEL SAID HE COULD ACCEPT QUOTE TO ENDEAVOR UNQUOTE BUT WOULD STRONGLY PREFER QUOTE TO COOPERATE WITH A VIEW TO ELIMINATING UNQUOTE AS AUTHORIZED BY WASHINGTON INSTRUCTIONS. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION MEXICANS PROPOSED QUOTE TO COOPERATE IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE UNQUOTE AS SUBSTITUTE FOR QUOTE TO ENDEAVOR UNQUOTE. AFTER BREAK IN MEETING REQUESTED BY AFRICANS FOR CONSULTATIONS, AFRICANS ANNOUNCED MEXICAN PROPOSAL NOT ACCEPTABLE. USDEL AGREED TO ACCEPT MEXIAN FORMULATION AD REFERENDUM. PAKISTAN PROPOSED PHRASE QUOTE SHOULD ELIMINATE UNQUOTE TO REPLACE QUOTE DUTY TO ENDEAVOR UNQUOTE, BUT USDEL HELD OUT LITTLE HOPE IT COULD BE ACCEPTABLE, ALTHOUGH IT AGREED REPORT PROPOSAL TO DEPARTMENT. USDEL PLANS HOLD EXITING LINE. PARAGRAPH WILL AGAIN BE TAKEN UP BY NEGOTIATING GROUP AM JUNE 24 PRIOR TO BEING REFERRED TO WG PLENARY PM JUNE 24.

3. PARAGRAPH 6 BIS -- TEXT TO BE REPORTED BY CHAIRMAN (TEECE, AUSTRALIA) TO PLENARY FOLLOWS:

QUOTE ALL STATES ARE JURIDICALLY EQUAL AND, AS EQUAL MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, HAVE THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE FULLY AND EFFECTIVELY IN THE INTERNATIONAL DECISION-MAKING PROCESS IN THE SOLUTION OF THE WORLD ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND MONETARY PROBLEMS, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION SIN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR EXISTING AND EVOLVING RULES AND TO SHARE EQUITABLY IN THE BENEFITS RESULTING THEREFROM UNQUOTE.

THEN AN ADDITONAL SENTENCE:

QUOTE IN THIS CONTEXT, STATES SHOULD COOPERATE TO STRENGTHEN AND CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN IMPLEMENTING MEASURES TO STIMULATE THE GENERAL ECONOMIC PROGRESS OF ALL COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND THEREFORE SHOULD COOPERATE TO ADAPT THEM, WHEN APPROPRIATE, TO THE CHANGING NEEDS OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION UNQUOTE.

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CHAIRMAN, ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE, PROPOSED QUOTE AND EVOLVING UNQUOTE WHICH SEEMED TO HAVE GENERAL ACCEPTANCE. LAST PARAGRAPH IS MEXICAN PROPOSAL THAT WILL BE REPORTED IN DISAGREEMENT. EC STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ITS INCLUSION, OR TO INCLUSION ANY SECOND SENTENCE, SINCE OBJECT OF SUCH SENTENCES IN CONTEXT PARA 6-BIS CLEARLY DESIGNED OBTAIN A COMMITMENT TO WORK TO CHANGE RULES OF INTER-NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO GIVE LDC GREATER DECISION-

MAKING ROLE. WE CONCUR.

4. PARAGRAPH 13 -- SOLE ISSUE IN CONTROVERSY WAS PHRASE ON IMPOSITION OF CONDITIONS ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THEIR RECEIPT OF ASSISTANCE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS, US SAID IT PREFERRED QUOTE ON MUTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNQUOTE OR QUOTE AND CONSISTENT WITH THE OTHER PRINCIPLES ENUNCIATED IN CHAPTER I OF THIS CHARTER UNQUOTE BUT COULD ACCEPT MEXICAN COMPROMISE PROPOSAL OF QUOTE WITHOUT CONDITIONS INFRINGING ON THEIR SOVERIEGNTY UNQUOTE. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION, CHINESE REVERTED TO THEIR PROPOSAL OF QUOTE WITHOUT POLITICAL OR MILITARY CONDITIONS UNQUOTE. EC COUNTRIES AND JAPAN KEPT SILENT AND GAVE NO SUPPORT TO US POSITION ALTHOUGH THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO BE HELPFUL. AT CONCLUSION OF MEETING CHAIRMAN SAID THAT HE FELT HE UNDERSTOOD THE GROUP TO AUTHORIZE HIM TO PRESENT THE TEXT WITH A FINAL CLAUSE OF QUOTE WITHOUT ANY CONDITIONS CONFLICTING WITH THE INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES UNQUOTE, AND THAT HE WOULD ADD IN BRACKETS THE PROPOSALS OF THE US (MUTUALLY ACCEPT-ABLE) AND CHINA (POLITICAL AND MILITARY) FORMULATIONS.

5. PARAGRAPH 15 -- CHAIRMAN WILL REPORT THE TEXT AS FOLLOWS:

FIRST SENTENCE: QUOTE ALL COUNTRIES SHOULD PROMOTE AN /INCREASED/ /INCREASING/ /NET/ FLOW OF /REAL/ RESOURCES, TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FROM ALL SOURCES /UNDER FAVOR-ABLE CONDITIONS/, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT /THE/ /ANY/ OBLIGA-TIONS AND COMMITMENTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE COUNTRIES CON-CERNED, IN ORDER TO REINFORCE THE EFFORTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO ACCELERATE THEIR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOP-MENT UNQUOTE.

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SECOND SENTENCE: QUOTE /IN THIS CONTEXT IT SHOULD BE THE ENDEAVOR, TO THE FULLEST APPROPRIATE AND POSSIBLE EXTENT, TO INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY AND STEADILY THE NET AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES TRANSFERS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES./ UNQUOTE

DESPITE EFFORTS AT EARLIER INFORMAL SESSION AND AT THIS NEGOTIATING GROUP MEETING, IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE AGREEMENT ON REMOVAL OF BRACKETS. THE EC AND JAPAN, IN VARYING DEGREES OF OPPOSITION, HAVE TAKEN A POSITION AGAINST INCLUDING QUOTE NET UNQUOTE ALTHOUGH SOME (E.G. JAPAN AND FRG) SEEM TO BE WILLING TO ACCEPT QUOTE REAL UNQUOTE, AND QUOTE INCREASING UNQUOTE CLEARLY SEEMS ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH EC AND JAPAN. SOME MEBERS OF 77

SEEMED WILLING TO BUY OUR PROPOSAL OF QUOTE ANY UNQUOTE IN
LIEU OF QUOTE THE UNQUOTE, BUT ULTIMATE ACCEPTABILITY
OF THIS CHANGE STILL MUCH IN DOUBT SINCE LDC'S APPEAR TO
FEEL WORD QUOTE THE UNQUOTE MORE CLEARLY PINS DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES TO OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE SECOND DEVELOPMENT
DECADE. THERE IS STRONG RESISTANCE TO OUR PROPOSAL TO
REMOVE QUOTE SUBSTANTIALLY AND STEADILY UNQUOTE, ALTHOUGH
THE MEXICANS HAVE INDICATED PRIVATELY THAT THEY WOULD
ACCEPT DELETION OF QUOTE SUBSTANTIALLY AND UNQUOTE. JOVA

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